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916-327-8988**Board of Equalization Updates State's Top 250 List of Sales and Use Tax Debtors**
Public Disclosure Aimed at Reducing Tax Gap in California

The California State Board of Equalization (BOE) today updated its online list of top sales tax debtors at www.boe.ca.gov. The BOE replaced 18 names on its list of debtors. Those added to the list have delinquencies totaling \$24.2 million in sales tax owed.

Since January 1, 2007, the BOE is mandated by state law to post a list of the largest 250 tax delinquencies of more than \$100,000 in tax after notifying the debtors that their tax liabilities will be disclosed to the public. The taxpayers to be listed are notified 30 days before their information is posted.

Since the inception of this program, 17 taxpayers, whose account balances represent a total of \$12.9 million in sales and use tax, have come forward to take care of their debts: 11 through payment agreements and six by making payments in full. The list, updated quarterly, currently includes debtors with \$271.9 million in tax liabilities. Tax liabilities under appeal, litigation, or bankruptcy proceedings are not included. Below is a list of the 18 newly added businesses with the largest sales and use tax delinquencies. For a complete list of the largest sales and use tax delinquencies in California, visit: www.boe.ca.gov/cgi-bin/deliq.cgi.

Registered Business Name	Doing Business (DBA)	City	State	Amount Owed
John Kelly		Irvine	CA	\$4,990,107.52
Eduardo Recinos Sarceno	European Auto Enterprise	North Hollywood	CA	\$4,674,178.90
Flamingo Car Group Inc.		San Diego	CA	\$2,420,086.74
Ed Emadi, Inc	South Bay Auto	San Jose	CA	\$1,777,764.56
Maria De Los Angeles Chavez	Discount Deals	Van Nuys	CA	\$1,220,010.33
Leighton Hull, Jr		Pasadena	CA	\$1,195,696.17
Barry Wayne Mancha	Custom Motorsports USA	Corona	CA	\$1,065,587.66
Spazio, Inc.	Spazio Restaurant	Sherman Oaks	CA	\$1,038,455.30
Aftershock Power Boats, Inc.		Riverside	CA	\$997,368.16
Elias Pineda	Pineda Auto Sales	Victorville	CA	\$731,904.16
Michael Brian McCullough	Michael Brian Interior Design	Newport Beach	CA	\$668,499.37
Michael D Dozier/Lee Ann Dozier	Zia's Pizza & Pasta	Pittsburg	CA	\$556,252.97
The Window Factory, Inc.	Factory Remodeling	San Diego	CA	\$526,225.38
Hebco, Inc.	Peter's Spirit	City of Industry	CA	\$511,972.33
Edna Santos Alvarez/Jose Benito Alvarez	Chevron	Milpitas	CA	\$511,169.18
China Star Buffet		La Mirada	CA	\$451,957.06
Robert Leslie Bledsoe		Saratoga	CA	\$434,584.40
Khaldoun M. Al Ajou	Kal's Auto Center	Anaheim	CA	\$428,692.02
Total				\$24,200,512.21

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$53 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes.

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